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**Title :** PORIFERA-BASED THERAPEUTIC COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATING  
AND PREVENTING SKIN DISEASES

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**RESPONSE TO NONCOMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Applicants submit the following Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 6, 2008 in the above referenced patent application.

In response to Office's request to amend the claims, Applicant has amended claim 1 to provide the proper status identifier. Claim 1 now reads currently amended.

In order to expedite prosecution, Applicant is resubmitting the amendment document with the requested changes. Attached is a copy of the compliant response.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this Amendment to deposit account No. 50-3207.

Respectfully submitted,

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